

ORDINANCE NO. 2004-20-CM

**AMENDING ORDINANCE NO. 2001-7-CM PERTAINING
TO CHARGES FOR RETURNED CHECKS AND DUPLICATE TAX BILLS**

WHEREAS, Indiana Code 36-1-3-1 to 9, inclusive, grants certain home rule powers to County; and

WHEREAS, Tippecanoe County Treasurer has many requests for duplicate tax bills which must be prepared by the Treasurer at an additional expense to the County; and

WHEREAS, the Treasurer of Tippecanoe County receives many checks which fail to clear the bank which makes additional work for her office and are also an expense to the County; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Commissioners, pursuant to Ordinance No. 82-16 and Ordinance 2001-7 - CM established charges for taxpayers requesting duplicate tax bills and for taxpayers whose checks fail to clear the bank upon which they are written; and

WHEREAS, IC 35-43-5-5 now authorizes a minimum charge of \$27.50 for returned checks and the Board of Commissioners desire to increase said fees to the amount allowed by law; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Commissioners also desires to establish such charges for taxpayers paying by credit or debit card or Automated Clearing House (ACH) transactions;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ENACTED by the Board of Commissioners of the County of Tippecanoe that the following charges be made by the Tippecanoe County Treasurer:

1. For all duplicate tax bills - \$1.00 each.
2. For all checks, as defined by IC 26-1-3.1-104, including credit or debit card or ACH transactions, which are returned to the Treasurer by the bank upon which they are issued regardless of the reason for such return - \$27.50 each.
3. All funds received by the Treasurer for the charges made herein shall be deposited in the Tippecanoe County General Fund.

This Ordinance shall be in full force and effective upon its passage and signing..

Presented to the Board of Commissioners of Tippecanoe County, Indiana, and approved on first reading this 21st day of June, 2004, by the following vote:

VOTE

**THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF
THE COUNTY OF TIPPECANOE, STATE
OF INDIANA**

Yes

Ruth E. Shedd, President

Yes

John L. Knochel, Vice President

Yes

KD Benson, Member

ATTEST:

Robert A. Plantenga, Auditor of
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